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EXCON FOR COMMERCE/BEWT (OEA AND OEWT)

PARIS FOR COCOM

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ESTC, COCOM, RO

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF SINGER SYSTEM 10 COMPUTER EXPORT TO
ROMANIA

1. OFFICIALS OF ROM CONTROL DATA, THE ONLY JOINT VENTURE
IN ROMANIA HAVING U.S. OWNERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT (45 PERCENT
CONTROL DATA CORP.), HAVE EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT DELAY IN
APPROVAL OF THE EXPORT OF A SINGER SYSTEM 10 COMPUTER FROM
THE U.S. FOR USE IN THEIR MANUFACTURING PLANT IN BUCHAREST.
THE COMPUTER IS TO BE USED IN FINAL TESTING OF LOW-SPEED
PRINTERS MANUFACTURED BY ROM CONTROL DATA FOR SINGER
CUSTOMERS; IT IS BADLY NEEDED NOW BECAUSE THESE CUSTOMERS
ACCOUNT FOR ABOUT HALF OF ROM CONTROL DATA'S PURCHASE ORDERS
FOR 1975, AND A NUMBER OF THE PRINTERS ARE ALREADY IN STOCK,
READY FOR DELIVERY AS SOON AS THEY CAN BE PROPERLY TESTED.
THE COMPUTER IS REPORTEDLY ALREADY PACKED FOR SHIPMENT BY CDC.

2. THE FIRM FELT THAT APPROVAL SHOULD BE A ROUTINE, AS
IT ALREADY HAS MORE SOPHISTICATED EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING A
CDC 1700 NOW IN USE IN FINAL TESTING, AND TEST APPARATUS FOR
PRINTED CIRCUIT CARDS (GENERAL RADIO CO. MODEL 1792).

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OFFICIALS SAID THAT AT LEAST 20 SINGER SYSTEM 10 COMPUTERS

HAVE ALREADY BEEN LICENSED AND SENT TO POLAND. THEY HAD
HEARD THAT COCOM APPROVAL WOULD PROBABLY BE REQUIRED AND
WERE APPREHENSIVE THAT THEIR REQUEST MIGHT HAVE BEEN LOST.

3. EMBOFF AND VISITING USDOC/BEWT OFFICER LEVINE NOTED THAT
8 WEEK DELAY IN APPROVAL WAS NOT UNUSUAL AND THAT EMBASSY WAS
NOT ABLE TO SPEED COCOM PROCESS. AFTER CHECKING EMBASSY FILES,
WE CANNOT FIND RECORD OF A COCOM SUBMISSION FOR SINGER SYSTEM
10 FOR ROMANIA. EMBASSY WOULD LIKE TO ASSIST ROM
CONTROL DATA IN THIS MATTER GIVEN ITS UNIQUE STATUS HERE AND
ITS SENSITIVITY TO THIS PARTICULAR EXPORT LICENSE REQUEST,
EVEN THOUGH WE DO NOT HAVE COPIES OF THE DOCUMENTATION.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE COMMENT ON STATUS OF THIS CASE
AND DATE BY WHICH APPROVAL IS LIKELY, FOR US TO PASS ON TO
ROM CONTROL DATA FOR THEIR PLANNING.
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